

TITLE OF REPORT: Impact of COVID

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Summary

This report and the subsequent presentations will provide Communities and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) with an overview of how the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted on Gateshead. There will be a specific focus on matters related to the remit of the Committee and an opportunity for Members to ask questions.

Background

The Covid-19 pandemic has had a profound impact on residents, Council services and partnership organisations. The Committee will receive updates on the following:

- Crime & Community Safety (including asb) Adam Lindridge and with Helena Barron, Superintendent & Dan Whyte, Chief Inspector for Communities, Northumbria Police.
- Andrew Tate & Julie Killick from Economic Development, providing an update on support to businesses and local residents during Covid.
- Anneliese Hutchinson, private sector housing and business compliance / enforcement.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Communities and Place OSC:

- (i) Consider the activities undertaken to deliver services during the pandemic and;
- (ii) Advise officers of any areas that require additional updates or further scrutiny.